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Via Overnight Delivery

Mr. Richard Ng, Report Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20463

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Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/98 - 9/30/98)

Dear Mr. Ng:

This letter is in reply to the FEC's letter to me from John D. Gibson dated December 10, 1998 (copy enclosed). Mr. Gibson stated that as of December 9, 1998 the Commission had not received our response to your request for additional information dated November 18, 1998.

Please be advised that on December 2, 1998 I did respond to your November 18 letter, a copy of which response is enclosed. This response was forwarded to you on December 2. via UPS overnight delivery. Also enclosed is a second copy of my letter which shows our UPS shipping reference sticker printed the day the letter was sent, along with a copy of a tracking report from UPS showing that the letter was delivered the morning of December 3, 1998 and signed for by a person in your mailroom named Baily.

I trust this will clear up any confusion. Please let me know if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

James M. Drinan

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Dear Mr. Drinan:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 9, 1998 the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated November 18, 1998. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

The Commission is in receipt of your amendments for the October Quarterly and 12 Day Pre-Primary Reports dated December 3, 1998; however, they do not address the matters in our letter. If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Richard M. Ng on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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As you and I discussed via telephone today, the \$2,000 contribution on November 18, 1996 was a debt retirement contribution, and thus allocated to the 1996 general election. I have confirmed with the committee and with you that the committee did have debt after the November 1996 general election, and thus was eligible for a debt retirement contribution. The committee staff informed me that the contribution was allocated to the 1996 general election in its records.

The AAOPAC report filed in 1996 identified the \$2,000 as disbursed for the general election, which was intended to convey the 1996 general election rather than the next election facing Rep. Turner, which would have been the 1998 primary. We could have made our report clearer by adding "debt retirement" to the purpose of disbursement box, and will do so from now on for such disbursements.

We appreciate your assistance in clarifying this issue and trust that this response resolves any questions you had. Please let me know if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

Kames M. Drinan

Treasurer

cc: Dr. Peter C. Knudson, Chairman



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